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"PATENT APPLICATION"

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

BORIS REYDEL ET AL

U.S. Serial No. 09/915,296

Filed: July 27, 2001

ANTI-CONSTIPATION METHOD
AND DEVICE

Group Art Unit 3751

C. Eloshway, Examiner

Election
#5
8/27/02
Officer

Alexandria, Virginia
August 21, 2002

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

R E S P O N S E

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the official action mailed
August 1, 2002.

The Examiner has required restriction under 35
U.S.C. §121 as follows: Group I, claims 1-22 (assumed to be
claims 1-19) drawn to an apparatus for the treatment of
constipation, and Group II, claims 20-22 drawn to a method
of treating constipation.

If the claims of Group I are elected, the Examiner
has also required an election of species based on the
following:

Species I	-	Figures 6 and 7;
Species II	-	Figure 5; and
Species III	-	Figure 8.

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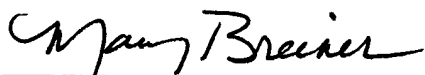
Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-19 drawn to an apparatus. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application containing claims drawn to the non-elected subject matter.

Additionally, applicants elect Species II, Figure 5. Claims 1-11 as pending read on elected Species II.

Favorable consideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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